

(b) (*Modifies QW 305 and QB 305.*) Operators of fully automatic welding and brazing machines are specifically exempt from performance qualification tests.

[CGFR 68-82, 33 FR 18872, Dec. 18, 1968, as amended by CGD 74-102, 40 FR 27460, June 30, 1975]

Subpart 57.02—General Requirements

§ 57.02-1 Incorporation by reference.

(a) Certain material is incorporated by reference into this part with the approval of the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a). To enforce any edition other than that specified in paragraph (b) of this section, the Coast Guard must publish notice of change in the FEDERAL REGISTER and make the material available to the public. All approved material is on file at the Coast Guard Headquarters. Contact Commandant (CG-ENG), Attn: Office of Design and Engineering Systems, U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7509, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20593-7509. The material is also and is available from the sources indicated in paragraph (b) of this section or at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030, or go to: http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html.

(b) The material approved for incorporation by reference in this part and the sections affected are:

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Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, section IX, Welding and Brazing Qualifications, July 1989 with 1989 addenda.....57.01-1; 57.02-2; 57.02-3; 57.02-4; 57.03-1; 57.04-1; 57.05-1; 57.06-1; 57.06-3; 57.06-4

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§ 57.02-2 Adoption of section IX of the ASME Code.

(a) The qualifications for all types of welders and brazers, the qualification of welding procedures, and the production tests for all types of manual and machine arc and gas welding and brazing processes shall be in accordance with section IX of the ASME (American Society of Mechanical Engineers) Code, as limited, modified, or replaced by specific requirements in this part. For general information Table 57.02-1(a) lists the various paragraphs in section IX of the ASME Code which are limited, modified, or replaced by regulations in this part.

TABLE 57.02-1(a)—LIMITATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS TO THE ADOPTION OF SECTION IX OF THE ASME CODE

Paragraphs in section IX ASME code, and Disposition	Unit of this part
QW-101 replaced by	57.01-1(a).
QW-103 replaced by	57.02-3(a).
QW-201 modified by	57.03-1(a).
QW-202 modified by	57.04-1
QW-202.1 modified by	57.03-1(b).
QW-210 modified by	57.04-1.
QW-211 modified by	57.02-4.
QW-253 modified by	57.03-1(g).
QW-254 modified by	57.03-1(g).
QW-255 modified by	57.03-1(g).
QW-305 modified by	57.01-1(b).
QW-451 modified by	57.03-1(b) and 57.04-1.
QB-101 replaced by	57.01-1(a).
QB-103 replaced by	57.02-3(a).
QB-201 modified by	57.03-1(a).
QB-202 modified by	57.04-1.
QB-305 modified by	57.01-1(b).

(1) As stated in § 50.15-5 of this subchapter, section IX of the ASME Code is adopted and shall be the governing requirements for the qualification of all types of welders and brazers, the qualification of all types of welding procedures, and the production tests for all types of manual and machine arc and gas welding and brazing processes used in fabricating power boilers, heating boilers, pressure vessels and piping unless specifically limited, modified or replaced by other regulations in this part.

(b) References to the ASME Code, like paragraph QW-131.1 indicate:

Q=Section IX, Welding and Brazing Qualifications, ASME Code.

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W=Part containing requirements for welding procedure, welder, and welding operator qualifications.

131=Major division within the part.

131.1=Specific subparagraph within the part.

(c) When a paragraph or a section of the regulations in this part relates to material in section IX of the ASME Code, the relationship with the code will be shown immediately following the heading of the section or at the beginning of the paragraph as follows:

(1) (Modifies Q____.) This indicates that the material in Q____ is generally applicable but is being altered, amplified or augmented.

(2) (Replaces Q____.) This indicates that Q____ does not apply.

(3) (Reproduces Q____.) This indicates that Q____ is being identically reproduced for convenience, not for emphasis.

[CGFR 68-82, 33 FR 18872, Dec. 18, 1968, as amended by CGFR 69-127, 35 FR 9980, June 17, 1970; CGD 74-102, 40 FR 27460, June 30, 1975. Redesignated by CGD 88-032, 56 FR 35823, July 29, 1991; CGD 95-012, 60 FR 48050, Sept. 18, 1995]

§ 57.02-3 Performance qualifications issued by other agencies.

(a) Within the limits of the qualification tests passed, the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, may accept welders who have been qualified by other agencies of the Federal Government; by the American Bureau of Shipping; or by the fabricator concerned, provided the fabricator's tests have been certified by an authorized Code inspector as defined in paragraphs PG-91, N-612, HG-515.2, or UG-91 of the ASME Code.

[CGFR 68-82, 33 FR 18872, Dec. 18, 1968. Redesignated by CGD 88-032, 56 FR 35832, July 29, 1991]

§ 57.02-4 Fabricator's responsibility.

(a) (Replaces QW 103 and QB 103). Each manufacturer or contractor is responsible for the welding and brazing done by his organization and shall conduct tests required in this part to qualify the welding and brazing procedures used and the performance of welders and brazers who apply these procedures. The manufacturer shall bear the expense of conducting the tests. Each manufacturer shall maintain a record of the test results obtained in welding

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and brazing procedure and welder and brazer performance qualifications. These required records, together with identification data, shall be maintained by the manufacturer or contractor on the recommended forms illustrated in QW 480 and QB 480 of section IX, ASME Code, or on any other form acceptable to the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection. Upon request, duplicate forms shall be furnished by the manufacturer or contractor to the marine inspector.

(b) Except as otherwise provided for in § 57.02-2, the fabricator shall notify the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, prior to conducting performance or procedure qualification tests, and arrange a suitable time and place for conducting the tests, so that a marine inspector may be present.

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§ 57.02-5 Filler metals.

(a) Except as provided for in paragraph (b) of this section, when filler metal is used in a welded fabrication that is required to meet the requirements of this part the filler metal must be one that has been approved by the American Bureau of Shipping.

(b) In instances where a fabricator desires to use a filler metal which has not been approved by the American Bureau of Shipping the approval of the filler metal can be made by the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection on the basis of the fabricator passing the weld procedure qualification tests as outlined in this part. This alternate means of approval applies to wire-gas and wire-flux combinations as well as to stick electrodes. Filler metal approvals given in this manner will extend only to the specific fabricator to whom they are granted.

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